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In the footsteps of their forebears

Russian Jews in Ottawa

By Balint Mofnar

Jewish immigration to Canada from Russia, spurred by widespread pogroms in the late nineteenth century, resulted in the dramatic increase in the country's previously very small Jewish population. Many a Canadian Jewish family can trace their ancestry back to the Pale of Settlement, that dreaded area of czarist Russia, where Jews were confined to live in constant fear of pogroms and economic hardship.

By all accounts, today's

Jewish Russians arriving in Canada, some of them via Israel, should have an easier time, not least because of the ability of established Jewish communities in large urban centres to assist their settlement. But for many, integrating into the native community still presents a daunting task.

"Jewish bonding is somewhat of a fallacy," says Michael Markov, JFS's settlement programs supervisor, who himself arrived in Canada 23 years ago at age 18 from Ukraine.

Russian Jewish immigrants of course had to face the same difficulties as any newcomer. They had to adjust to a very different culture and lifestyle and, as they were soon to find out, their Jewishness did little to ease the process of integration.

Markov explains that most Russian immigrants, while proud of and devoted to their Jewish traditions, had found little in common with native Jews. "Russians are much more secular in their lifestyle and they are

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Cantor Daniel Benlolo and children light the Chanukah candles. The Jewish Family Services, Beth Shalom Chanukah party attracted over 250 people, many of them Russian. JFS Settlement Program Supervisor Michael Markov is pleased that local synagogues are reaching out to the Russian community.



Lena Allen Shore and her son Jacques Shore present a copy of her new book, *Building Bridges: Pope John Paul II and the Horizons of Life*, to the Pope during a private ceremony at the Vatican. (For more on Allen Shore and her visit to Ottawa see page 9.)

Cabinet pressures Sharon to negotiate with Syria

PM: Syria, Iran lead terrorism against Israel

By Herb Keiron
Israel would be "very glad to negotiate" with Syria when Damascus stops its support for Hezbollah and Palestinian terrorist organizations, Prime Minister Ariel Sharon said.

Speaking to foreign journalists in Jerusalem, Sharon said that Syria, even as it declares a willingness to negotiate with Israel, continues to aid and support

Hezbollah and the Iranian Revolutionary Guards in Lebanon.

"Syria," Sharon said, "together with the Iranians, is leading terrorism against Israel."

Hezbollah and the Iranian Revolutionary Guards operating from Lebanon "could not have done what they are doing" without Syrian help, he said.

The Syrian issue also

dominated the cabinet meeting, with Sharon fending off requests by various ministers that he extend a hand to President Bashar Assad.

Justice Minister Yosef Lapid said that Israel is creating for itself the image of a nation that refuses to make peace.

"Once again we are in danger of losing the battle for world public opinion,

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FM minister: negotiating presents Israel as a seeker of peace

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because the impression is created that we are trying to avoid negotiating with the Syrians," he said. "The government should announce unequivocally that it is in favour of peace negotiations, and afterward say it is conditional on Syria ending its support for terrorism."

Sharon replied that Israel does not need to run into Assad's arms before looking into what is behind the initiative - namely, massive American pressure.

"Just as we demand that the Palestinians dismantle terrorism before beginning diplomatic negotiations, that is also the situation with Syria," he said. "Notwithstanding our strong desire for peace, this is an interest we will defend."

Sharon said that while it is clear that Israel is interested in peace with Syria, "as the head of military intelligence answered me last week, we need to remember that Syria still supports terrorism

against Israel."

Foreign Minister Silvan Shalom said the Bush administration is not opposed to Israel testing the Syrian overtures, but wants Syria to be judged on whether it fulfils commitments made to Secretary of State Colin Powell last year - closing the terrorist headquarters operating in Damascus, ending support for Hezbollah and closing its border with Iraq.

He said that even if the Syrian overture were motivated by an attempt to curry favour with the US, it is still worth following up, even as Jerusalem watches to see whether Assad is following up his words with action.

Defense Minister Shaul Mofaz said, "It needs to be clear to Syrian President Bashar Assad that peace and terrorism don't go together. The domino effect of the American war in Iraq is pressuring Assad and pushing him to establish a dialogue in order to extricate him from his troubles."

He said that it is very possible Saddam Hussein, under interrogation by the US, will implicate Assad. US National Security Council Adviser Condoleezza Rice said recently the US is following up on leads that Iraq may have stashed some of its alleged weapons of mass destruction in Syria.

Sharon told the cabinet he has instructed Shalom to hold diplomatic contacts with Arab countries on the

condition that they are willing to fight terrorism.

Shalom said that Israel held secret contacts with Syria several months ago, but the talks broke down after word of the meetings leaked out. He said that back channel talks with other unidentified Arab countries are continuing.

Shalom said the secret contacts took place seven or eight months ago with people "very close" to Assad.

"Unfortunately, after two meetings that the Israeli partners had with their Syrian colleagues, it leaked out. And while it was exposed, of course the Syrians didn't continue to negotiate through this track," he said.

"Negotiating with Syria," Shalom told reporters, "presents us as seekers of peace, puts Assad to the test, and pressures the Palestinians by letting them know we have other options."

National Infrastructure Minister Yosef Paritzky called on Sharon at the cabinet meeting to extend a hand to Assad.

"Thirty years ago, a leader named [Menachem] Begin said to Anwar Sadat, who said he was interested in peace, to come to Israel and conduct negotiations," he said. "I suggest to the prime minister act in a similar fashion and come out with a decision."

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Markov: Russian-speaking rabbi needed

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very reluctant to give it up," says Markov, adding that those who arrived here via Israel are even hostile to overt religiosity. "The ones who came straight from Russia are much more open to incorporate more traditional Jewish customs into their lives."

But the majority are looking for more "socially oriented" events, and religious programs remain a hard sell, while light-hearted gatherings, such as this year's Chanukah party at Beth Shalom, draw people by their hundreds.

Markov draws on his own earlier experiences to explain why integration for Ottawa's 2,500 Russian Jews had proven so difficult in the past.

"After our arrival, we started to visit one of the

orthodox synagogues. But I felt very scrutinized, people asking me questions about where I came from, what I did, checking me out really, but there was no real embracing welcome."

Fortunately for Markov and his family, they found a devoted local Jewish family whose warm welcome helped them to overcome initial feelings of unease and even to elevate their Yiddishkeit.

Today, he keeps kosher and observes the Shabbat. "It was all because of a single family's outreach work," he says.

On a whole, however, Ottawa's Russian Jews, despite their large numbers, barely register on the community's radar screen. "Community outreach has improved much in recent years," says Markov, but that is mostly the result of the work of individuals or small initiatives. He mentions Cantor Daniel Benlolo's active cultivation of ties with the Russian community and the work of Young Israel. But he adds that the opening hurdle to overcome was to bring the Russians together first. Now that it is done, it's time to bring the Russian community

closer to the Jewish community's centre.

This task is more urgent than it might appear at first. Most Russian Jews in Ottawa are families and their children are growing up to be Canadian in every respect. That in itself is a good thing, but without a stronger tie to their Jewish identity "these kids will be lost for the community."

Russian parents won't put their kids into Jewish schools, because they see them as too religious and not strong enough on general subjects, something that really matters to most Russian parents, explains Markov.

Russian Jews could use many things. "One of the most important things is employment and networking opportunities," explains

Markov. Many of these people are highly skilled professionals, who could benefit enormously from assistance from local Jewish business people.

They also need help with learning and using networking, a skill not well honed in those who spent most of their lives working in rigid, socialist economies, but something that is essential in today's competitive Canadian market.

"But above all," says Markov with a hopeful gaze, "we could really use a Russian-speaking rabbi. Someone who has energy and charisma; someone who can motivate people and get them more involved in traditional Jewish life. That would help enormously."

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laration that if Assad wants to conduct negotiations, you are willing to talk to him anywhere - without giving up on the principle that Syria end its support for terrorism."

Words such as these cannot hurt, he said, and indeed can only help Israel's image as a country that wants regional peace.

On the other hand, Health Minister Dan Naveh said the US is exerting a great deal of pressure on the Syrians, and

Israel should not do anything to help Syria extract itself from this situation without changing its actions.

Everyone wants peace with Syria, Naveh said, but the way to test the sincerity of Assad is not through public declarations, but through "quiet" back channels.

Education Minister Limor Livnat said that Israel should not fall into the Syrian "trap." "I believe that the moves made by Syria are a manipulation," she said. "We should

wait to see if there is anything real behind their words and statements."

In Damascus, a European Union envoy discussed with Syrian officials ways to resume Syrian-Israeli peace talks, saying Europe is ready to help "in any way possible."

Following an hour-long meeting with Syrian Foreign Minister Farouk Shara, Marc Otte said the minister reiterated Syria's readiness to resume talks with Israel from the point they had stopped in January 2000.

"We don't want to negotiate in the place of the parties," Otte said. "I am going to play the role of presenting our good offices to the two parties. The only way to reach peace is to negotiate."

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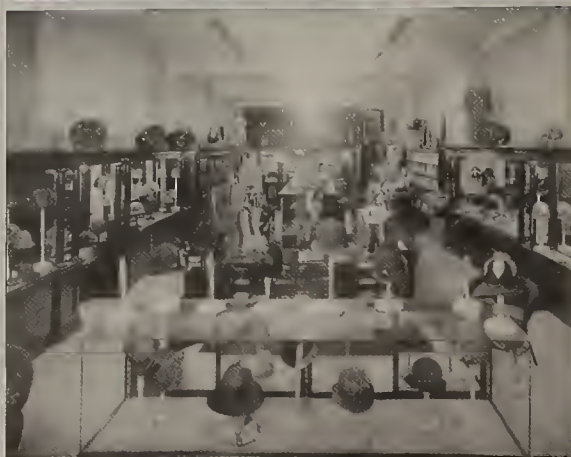
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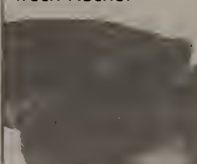


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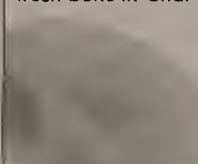


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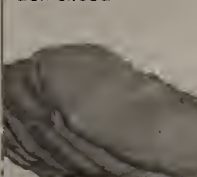


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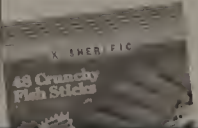


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Holocaust Memorial Day Act: 'I could not have been more proud'

For Israeli Ambassador to Canada, Haim Divon, the passing of the Holocaust Memorial Day Act was a historic occasion for Canada, Israel and the Jewish people. He shares his thoughts on what it meant to attend the passing of the bill on Parliament Hill.

As a representative of the State of Israel, it was a most welcomed honour and privilege to have been in attendance to witness the Canadian Parliament unanimously pass Bill C-459; federally entrenching Holocaust commemoration within the Canadian body

politic. The scope and significance of this event, as reflected by the dedication and cooperation of Members of Parliament representing each major federal political party to bring this to fruition, attests to Canada's continued commitment to recognizing and embracing

its diverse, multicultural citizenship, including Canadian Jewry.

At a gathering in Parliament prior to the bill's passing, I had the opportunity to meet with and address the legislators responsible for crafting and putting forward the Holocaust Memorial Day Act, as well as a number of distinguished leaders from the Ottawa community. As I stood before these friends and colleagues, expressing my most sincere respect and support for all of their efforts, my mind wandered back to the recent bitter, anti-Semitic remarks made by the Malaysian Prime Minister, Mahatir Muhammed. I recalled both his biting, racist words, and my feelings of sadness and shame as his bate-filled diatribe was received by a standing ovation.

I could not help from feeling that this action taken by the Canadian Parliament, divided ideologically but united in their common pursuit of humanitarian ideals



Ambassador Haim Divon

and liberal values, was the best possible answer to the bigotry of PM Muhammed and those that applauded him. It was Canada shouting loudly that it recognized the inherent evil in hate-speech and the tragic outcome it leads to, and that the Holocaust, as such an outcome, would not be forgotten, so that it will never happen again.

Prime Minister Sharon, in addressing the people of Israel this year on Yom HaShoah, exclaimed, "The Jewish people arose from the abyss of the Holocaust severely wounded, but still breathing and wiser. Never again will Jews be unprotected and homeless... We seek peace with all our hearts, but we have learned this lesson: it is not in weakness, nor with faint heart, that we will achieve security and peace, rather with boldness, courage and a willingness to guard that which is most precious and vital to our future."

His words could not ring more true, for today, more than ever there is a great need for strength and solidarity within Jewish communities, and within the entire global Jewish nation. It is only through unity and perseverance that our goal of a just and lasting peace for us, for Israel and for all humanity can be achieved.

In this pursuit, we consider Canada to be a friend to Israel, and the collaborative bi-partisan effort to present, "The Holocaust Memorial Day Bill" before the House of Commons and Senate, and its subsequent unanimous passing, only serve to reinforce this friendship. In spite of an extremely limited time

frame for action, the passing of this bill demonstrates the will of the Canadian people not only to remember the tragedy of the Holocaust, but also to recognize it as a painful example of how ignorance and hatred lead to actions of the most egregious human depravity, and to use its memorial as a vehicle for sharing this message with the entire world. Being present for such a momentous occasion as the Israeli Ambassador to Canada, addressing friends and colleagues, acknowledging the deep commitment shared by all Canadians to remembering the tragedy of the Holocaust so that it will never happen again, I could not have been more proud.

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Lawyer Israel Gencer and Lynne O'Neil, a human resources professional specializing in conflict management, are co-chairing the 2004 event. Both Israel and Lynne sit on the JNF Ottawa board and are ardent supporters of the Jewish State. "It is quite wonderful to drive past the huge expanses of trees of the JNF forests in Israel," Lynne marvels. "I can only imagine how drab the country would be if they were not there."

Once again, The Regional Group is giving over its Catherine Street offices for JNF to use as 'command headquarters.' At 10 a.m. sharp, the first group of volunteers will pick up the phones to begin the first of the all-important calls in the community canvass. The effort continues all day until, hopefully, every one in the community has been contacted and, hopefully, every one in the community has made a purchase. Trees can be purchased in honour or in memory of someone special. Volunteer callers are will take the information and the JNF office will send an attractive card to the recipient.

Thanks to local suppliers, kosher food, coffee and soft drinks are being provided to volunteers free of charge. Anyone wishing to volunteer for an hour or two is most welcome to call the JNF office, 798-2411. The Tu B'Shevat Telethon is an ideal opportunity for local teenagers to add hours to their volunteer requirements.

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Eight become B'nai Mitzvah

Mazal Tov and Yasher Koach to Benjamin Jason Finestone, Danielle Davida Finestone, Lorne Phillip Kerzner, Zachary Jordan Levine, Ian Elliott Levitan, Leah Sascha Silverman, and Michael Anders Stenbring, all of whom became B'nai Mitzvah recently. The proud parents of each of these youngsters chose to add a meaningful dimension to the occasion by inscribing their celebrant in the Sefer Bar Bat Mitzvah.

On the occasion of the Bar Mitzvah of his grandson, Jordan Stenzler, the children of Bill Adler paid a special tribute to their father by inscribing his name in the Sefer Bar Bat Mitzvah. Bill and Leona Adler had the honour of inscribing their grandson, Jordan Stenzler, in the Sefer Bar Bat Mitzvah.

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Veterans reach out to young people

At the 13th annual general meeting of the Jewish War Veterans of Canada, Ottawa Post, held at Machzikei HaDass, post-secondary scholarship awards were given to Talya Kagedan and Alex Baker, both former graduates of Hillel Academy.

Talya was in Israel and so her parents, Ian and Shoshana Kagedan accepted the award on her behalf. Talya's acceptance speech was in the form of an e-mail sent from Israel and read by her father.

In accepting his award, Alex Baker emphasized his admiration for the veterans and expressed his appreciation for their sacrifices.

The awarding of scholarships to high-achieving students in the Jewish community is one of the ways in



Captain Paul Bender presents Alex Baker, who is studying journalism at Carleton, with his scholarship award as his proud parents Benita and Steve Baker look on.

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which the Ottawa Post is fulfilling its mandate of *L'dor Va dor* - reaching out to the young people of the Jewish community to ensure that the courage and sacrifices of veterans is never forgotten

and will be remembered by future generations.

This past year's activities resulted in an increased visibility for the Ottawa Post in the Jewish community. The Post has, with community

involvement, set up its website, established the Ottawa Jewish community War Memorial Flower Garden on the grounds of the Soloway JCC and held a Remembrance Day ceremony there.

As well the Ottawa Post has developed for sale a greeting card for general use, which depicts a photograph of the War Memorial Garden.

In his activity report, Post Commander Captain Paul L. Bender said that the challenge facing all people is to never cease to express gratitude to those who fought for, and continue to fight for freedom for us all and lasting peace.

JLI Kabbalah course begins Jan. 27

The Jewish Learning Institute (JLI) will be offering a fascinating course this winter entitled *'Kabbalah Unplugged: The Secret Power of Prayer at the Soloway JCC.'*

JLI is a nationally accredited institute for adult Jewish education that offers innovative university-like courses in Jewish history, Jewish mysticism, and Jewish thought and practice.

The course will explore the vast world of prayer from

a mystical point of view. "Kabbalah is the underlying cosmology of Jewish tradition," says Rabbi Menachem M. Blum who will be teaching the course. "When we study Kabbalah, we are learning about the world in a way the eyes do not see, we are uncovering an inner reality."

But Kabbalah isn't meant to remain an abstraction of the mind, explains Rabbi Blum. It is meant to dwell in the heart, as well. It is meant to radically alter our concept of who we are and what we're here for. It is meant to rearrange the way we perceive our world and react to it. It is meant to let us reach out and touch the spiritual realms.

Kabbalah is meant to become an experience. "That is why we are not here to study 'what is a soul,' we are here to reach out and touch it," explains the rabbi.

The course will be held eight consecutive Tuesdays

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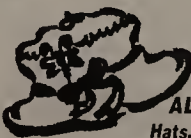
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VAAD Report

Keith Landy
CJC National
President

Editor's note: Vaad President Arnie Vered has arranged to share his column, on occasion, with the chairs or presidents of the community's major beneficiary agencies or committees so that they can provide some insight into their operations.

Canada is a country where we value freedom of speech and encourage open and spirited debate. But of equal value is our tradition of civility in our public discourse where an atmosphere of mutual respect prevails. This is especially challenging during times of international instability and given the nature of global strife, it often gives cause for inter-ethnic tensions within our borders.

Our country's commitment to multiculturalism centres around accommodating different cultures and respecting our differences. Over the last few decades, societal attitudes have evolved from mere tolerance to embracing diversity and the benefits it brings to Canada. We have accepted the idea that citizens may have multiple identities and attachments and

still be committed to Canada as a country with a core of shared values.

But the commitment to the shared value of civil discourse has eroded, most notably by growing expressions of anti-Semitism often under the guise of anti-Israel commentary. This phenomenon is concentrated on, but not limited to, our university campuses.

We saw the levels to which it has escalated with the riot that occurred in response to a scheduled lecture by Benjamin Netanyahu at Concordia University in September 2002. The stated goal of the group that organized the demonstration was not to protest Netanyahu's views or to voice a contrary argument. Rather, it was to prevent Netanyahu from speaking at all and violence was not ruled out as a tactic to quell freedom of speech.

It is true that post 9-11 some members of the Muslim community have suffered incidences of bias and racism. At the same time, experts have assessed that anti-Semitism, largely though not exclusively Middle East related, has reached levels not experienced since after the end of the Second World War. The violence that was unleashed by Yasser Arafat in September 2000 has created an atmosphere of intolerance in many parts of the world, and Canada, unfortunately, has not

been immune.

Foreign conflicts of any stripe must never be used as a justification for manifestations of hatred in Canada. Clear, unequivocal and public condemnations of all acts of anti-Semitism must be forthcoming from our political leaders to reinforce the notion that such behaviour is not tolerated on our shores.

Just after the violence erupted in 2000 there was an anti-Israel demonstration on Parliament Hill by some 500 people. There were chants in Arabic of *Eibach al Yehood*, "death to the Jews." Similar displays took place on the streets of Toronto, Calgary and Montreal. We would not tolerate this from a neo-Nazi skinhead mob. What's the difference?

Just as attacks on Muslim community institutions (post 9/11 or any terrorist attack) are completely unacceptable, so should be attacks against Jewish community centres, synagogues, Jewish schools and individuals. Regardless of the motivation, these are not political acts – they are hate crimes. Motive must not be a mitigating factor – that only excuses or provides a quasi-justification for these crimes.

No matter the intensity of one's political views or the turbulence of international events, Canadian norms of civility in

public discourse and activity must be promoted and maintained. In the specific cases of universities, hate and intimidation cannot be allowed to hide behind the skirts of academic freedom.

Canadian norms of civility in public discourse must be promoted and in 2004, Canadian Jewish Congress is taking the lead on this by holding a series of conferences to further that goal.

With financial support from Multiculturalism Canada, "Maintaining Civil Discourse in the Face of International Instability" will bring together representatives from diverse ethno-cultural and faith groups, human rights NGOs, media and government initially in three cities across Canada. (Dates and places TBA). A full report and recommendations will be prepared for the Minister of Canadian Heritage and will be widely available.

Inter-ethnic cooperation and understanding has always been a primary goal for Canadian Jewish Congress. As the cultural mosaic of Canada is changing we must redouble our efforts to ensure that rising levels of diversity contribute to creativity, strength, cooperation and cohesion rather than division and strife.

It is to the benefit of our community and to all Canadians that we strive for the enhancement of such values.



From the pulpit

Rabbi Howard Finkelstein
Beth Shalom West

The definition of modern orthodoxy is more than simply a *mechitza* separating the genders during religious services. It is a way of life that requires definition and direction for those seeking a path of religious life that combines the beauty of Halachic Judaism with an appreciation of the beauty of what the world of science and art contributes to us.

Rabbi Dr. Norman Lamm, chancellor of Yeshiva University, describes modern orthodoxy as a movement which encompasses a strong adherence to the observance of Halacha and to the principle that the Torah (Written and Oral) were given by Hashem at Mount Sinai. At the same time, there is an awareness that *madna* (secular knowledge) is an intrinsic partner with Torah, as the study of both enables one to appreciate the

Reflections on modern orthodoxy in 2004

magnificence of creation, and the majesty of Hashem's handiwork in the universe. Indeed, the university-educated orthodox individual who has a solid grounding in both the Judaic and secular disciplines is the quintessential modern orthodox Jew.

Further, the modern orthodox movement speaks to the importance of *klal yisrael*, in which all Jews are to be respected and accepted. Modern orthodoxy plays a vital role in the community at large, its mandate inclusive, its message integration oriented. While modern orthodoxy can never compromise on Halacha, and accept heterodox opinions as legitimate, it does recognize that the community is a mosaic made up of all shades of thought not to be disparaged or denigrated.

For the modern orthodox Jew, the state of Israel has religious significance, as one recognizes the modern-day miracle of its establishment and its impact on the Jewish community at large. One cannot but marvel at the revitalization of Jewish life in Israel both on a religious and social plane.

The modern orthodox Jew must by defini-

tion constantly dedicate oneself to the study of Torah and the performance of the Mitzvot, at the same time recognizing that the Torah speaks to modern day issues that affect the moral and ethical standards of society be they in the business, social, family, medical spheres. No issue, no matter how complex is beyond the Torah's scope in terms of direction and insight.

At the same time, the modern orthodox movement must come to terms with the following challenges: 1) how to deal with the tremendous losses of Jews to the forces of assimilation on the one hand, and the anomaly of a rising number of *bo'olei teshuva* (returnees to Judaism) who have chosen a right-wing charedi life style which eschews the secular world.

2) How does the modern orthodox world relate to the challenges posed in the areas of Jewish education? Does modern orthodoxy produce the requisite numbers of educators to teach in our day schools, or are we abnegating our responsibility in this area to other groups?

3) How do we relate to the increasing demand for women to have a more active role in the Jewish community? Are Halachic standards the determinants? Are we educated enough to know what those Halachic determinants are? Are we providing the highest educational opportunities for our women as well as for our men?

There are many challenges and opportunities for modern orthodox Jews in their observance of their Judaism. We can meet

these challenges, even if we cannot answer satisfactorily all people's needs and concerns by showing respect, empathy and tolerance. Let us work together to live according to the word of Hashem. Let us exist in an atmosphere that speaks of the Torah as one that exudes pleasantness, and not racism or bitterness.

Letters welcome

Letters to the Editor are welcome if they are brief, signed, timely and of interest to our readership. The *Bulletin* reserves the right to refuse, edit or condense letters.

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Editor

Barry Fishman

It happened during a beautiful, warm day in May 1943. A young Lena Allen Shore, who, so far, had been able to survive the Holocaust thanks to a fake baptismal certificate, was living in eastern Poland and, ironically, working in a German office. She came across a list of soldiers, both Allied and German, who had been killed recently. As she looked at the list of the dead, she remembers asking herself, "Why hate?"

That day she made a promise to herself: "If I survive the war, I will promote understanding."

She has kept her promise to try to make the world a better place. The mother of Ottawa lawyer and children's author Jacques Shore has spent her life promoting understanding through her writing, outreach to people of all faiths and many years of teaching university courses on how not to hate.

Allen Shore believes that Jews and non-Jews can learn from each other and that "no one has a monopoly on the truth." We must "build bridges" among the different faith groups. If mankind is to survive, "we must know about each other," she says.

Allen Shore is the author of 13 books on philosophy and poetry and has com-

posed over 100 songs, including a cantata that was performed in Poland during the anniversary of the liberation of Auschwitz.

Her latest book, *Building Bridges, Pope John Paul II and the Horizon of Life* is about her life and her special friendship with Pope John Paul II.

Recently, she was the guest of honour at a Canadian Jewish Congress and Apostolic Nunciature (Embassy of the Holy See) reception celebrating Roman Catholic-Jewish relations.

Allen Shore began corresponding with Pope John Paul II shortly after he became Pope, urging him to use his position to make the world a better place.

Over the years, they exchanged many letters and Allen Shore has met with the Pope six times in his Vatican apartment. She travelled to Israel in 2000 to take part in the ceremonies during the Pope's visit to Jerusalem and to Assisi where the Pope and other world religious leaders prayed for peace and interfaith understanding.

She says of her first meeting with the Pope: "After five minutes, it felt that we had known each other a long time." The Pope's work for reconciliation among Catholics, Jews and other groups "fulfills



Lena Allen Shore with her son Jacques Shore (left) and Monsignor Luigi Ventura at the Apostolic Nunciature. (Photo: Barry Fishman)

some of my dreams. He is building bridges over hate."

Allen Shore's life's work has been about building understanding and mutual respect for all people. She founded the Lena Allen Shore Center for Human Potential in Philadelphia and has taught numerous courses on how to overcome hatred.

Learning how to listen, admitting mistakes and, like the Pope, having the humility to ask for forgiveness is the key to understanding other people, religions and cultures. "Instead of being afraid of people who are different, we should try to get to know each other," she insists.

Perhaps Nusrat Hussain, editor of the weekly newspaper *The Miracle*, should consider taking one of Allen Shore's cours-

es or, at the very least, read her book. His Delta, BC newspaper, which bills itself as a proponent of "harmony amongst all Muslims and other communities," recently ran an article by well-known Idaho anti-Semite and anti-black racist Edgar J. Steele. The article contained 85 indictments against world Jewry. It accused Jews of starting the First and Second World Wars, lying about the Holocaust, causing the Depression, destroying the World Trade Center and running organized crime in the US, to name just a few.

Hussain told the *National Post* that he has no regrets about publishing the article. "We try to keep freedom of speech and not necessarily that we agree with the article, and that is what Canada is about."

Canadian Jewish Congress Pacific has turned over copies of the paper to the BC Hate Crimes team for investigation. "We are truly disgusted to see this racist trash appearing in a local newspaper that claims to cater to a particular faith community," commented Nisson Godman, CJC Pacific Region chair.

The only good news about all of this is the 2,500 circulation *Miracle* will no longer be available at local mosques. Muslim leaders have decided to ban the paper from their facilities. Maybe they could replace it with some of the positive life-affirming works of Lena Allen Shore.

Building Bridges, Pope John Paul II and the Horizon of Life is available at www.amazon.com.



How I see it

Bob Dale

The leaders of Canada's largest Christian churches recently issued an open letter strongly condemning anti-Semitism, calling on churches and their congregations to expose and eradicate anti-Semitism from Canadian society. Their letter was long overdue, especially for those of us who grew up in a Canada where anti-Semitism, often nourished by church leadership and church dogma, was in one-way or another a well-established part of everyday life.

Ironically, the church leaders' statement was released mere days after Israeli officials announced that they had arrested a 23-year-old Palestinian-Canadian who had been trained by Hamas to carry out attacks against Jews and Israelis in North America. Just as important steps are being taken to bring one round of anti-Semitism to an end, another round seems to be starting. Disturbingly, this new version of anti-Semitism seems to have progressed much farther than many of us have realized.

Evidence of what may be in store for Canada can be found in a report released,

somewhat reluctantly, by the European Union's anti-racism agency. After studying the growing tide of anti-Semitism in EU member states, the authors concluded that Muslims and pro-Palestinian groups were behind many of the incidents. More specifically, said the report, anti-Semitic acts had been committed "either by right-wing extremists or radical Islamists or young Muslims mostly of Arab descent." Moreover, there was a close correlation between the size of the Muslim community and the number of anti-Semitic incidents.

Entitled *Manifestations of anti-Semitism in the European Union*, the 104-page report provides a country-by-country analysis of anti-Semitism across the continent, even in traditionally tolerant Sweden, France, Belgium, the Netherlands and the United Kingdom have experienced the worst problems, including physical assaults on Jewish citizens. Several have been quite violent, including an attack on the chief rabbi of Brussels, who was kicked in the face by a group of youths who followed him into the subway yelling "dirty Jew" in Arabic.

The EU report speaks about the many Jewish institutions, including synagogues, shops, cemeteries, and Holocaust memorials, that have been vandalized; and about the recurring instances of swastika graffiti and verbal insults (such as "kill the Jews").

It shows how Jews are often the targets of threatening mail or e-mail messages; and how they are confronted with growing numbers of Holocaust deniers (who employ themes such as the "Auschwitz lie"). Significantly, the report talks about the "increasingly blatant anti-Semitic Arab and Muslim media," which employs audiotapes and sermons to encourage readers and listeners to join the struggle against Israel and Jews around the world.

According to the EU report, the Internet has become a particularly serious problem, with networked links now established between the extreme right and radical Islamist groups. Consider a leaflet published on the German homepage of the radical Muslim organization Liberation, which said that "the Jews are a people of slander," who "violate oaths and covenants," and who should be killed "wherever you find them." Allah, said the leaflet, "has forbidden us from allying ourselves with them." So much for attempts at working together to address mutual problems.

If we believe Steven Emerson, executive director of the Investigative Project (the largest intelligence and data-gathering centre in the world on militant Islamic activities), this cancer has already reached North America.

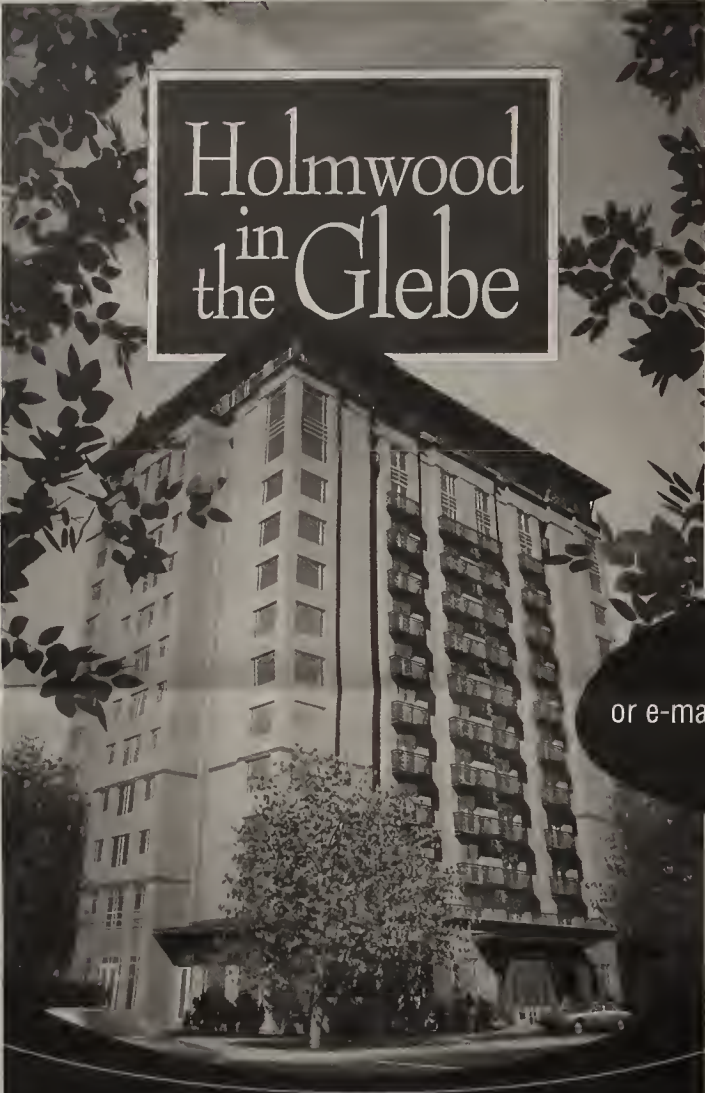
The arrest of the Palestinian-Canadian

likely didn't surprise Emerson, who says that some of Hamas' top officials are based here, and that the organization has connections in places like Texas, California, New Jersey, Florida, Virginia, and Illinois. Emerson tells us that Hezbollah and other radical groups are already in North America as well.

Canadian Jews must encourage our governments to deal with this situation, the sooner the better. As part of this, governments must consider whether the problem originates with a relatively small minority of Islamic extremists, as the conventional wisdom would have us believe, or with Islam in general, as experts like Robert Spencer, author of the important new book *Onward Muslim Soldiers*, suggest. Our ability to respond to this new form of anti-Semitism may depend on questioning such assumptions, however politically incorrect that might be.

As Anti-Defamation League Director Abraham Foxman has said, the resurgence of anti-Semitism is stronger and more widespread than even the most pessimistic among us had predicted, and the threat is growing. According to Foxman, democratic leaders and good people must stand up – for their own sake as well as for the sake of Jewish communities – so that the theme of "never again" will be a living reality.

Anti-Semitism a growing threat



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Camp Gesher alumni visit with an old Israeli friend

By Gabe Meranda

Fifteen years after finishing her term as Habonim Dror and Community Shlichah (Israeli emissary) in Ottawa, Yona Prital returned, this time in her new role as Central Shlichah for Habonim Dror North America.

Habonim Dror, founded in 1935, is a worldwide Labour Zionist youth organization that, in addition to chapters in North America, also boasts activities in such far-reaching locales as New Zealand, Hungary, and South Africa.

Extending an invitation to Prital was Galit Germanov, the current Habonim Dror and Community Shlichah in Ottawa. During her visit, Prital had ample opportunity to reconnect with the many community members that helped to welcome the entire Prital family, many years ago.

"It's like coming back home to me," said Prital.



Shlichah Galit Germanov (left) and Yona Prital
(Photo: Barry Fishman)

"It's great to see that the community has grown so much."

Although focusing her attentions on the Ottawa Jewish community and on Camp Gesher exclusively while she was based in Ottawa, Prital is now responsible for the effective operation of Habonim Dror activities in cities throughout North America. During the

summer months, Prital's attention also turns to the seven Movement summer camps that continue to function and thrive in the United States and Canada.

As part of her current mandate, Prital returned to Ottawa to help revitalize community interest in both Habonim Dror and Camp Gesher.

"We lost a generation in

this community," Prital said. "We used to have two or three buses coming to camp in the summer, and now there are only four or five children from Ottawa."

With this startling statistic as a backdrop, Prital had arranged separate times to meet with both potential campers and an assortment of Camp Gesher and Habonim alumni, in order to seek guidance and support.

Judging from the turnout and laughter at alumni gathering, there was a great willingness on the part of former campers to help share the spirit of growth and belonging that they experienced as youngsters.

"This get-together with Yona underlines the formative role that Camp Gesher played in our lives," said Alan Echenberg, a Habonim and Camp Gesher alum. "Although it's been many years, some of my closest friends today are ones that I

met at Gesher."

This seems to be the sort of experience that has stirred so many former campers and is one that Prital and her colleagues in Eastern Canada would like to rekindle.

"Camp Gesher gave so much to my kids," said Prital. "How they later developed leadership and character was a direct result of their time at camp."

Germanov offers an explanation for this. "Camp Gesher is like a *Medinat Yeladim* (Children's State)," she says. "At camp, they are

allowed to take initiative, build a framework and make decisions that impact the entire summer."

Modeled on a kibbutz lifestyle, Camp Gesher, located in Cloyne, Ontario, runs two 3-week sessions where children and youth from grades 2 to 11 are able to have a distinctive camping experience.

For more information about Habonim Dror or Camp Gesher, please contact Galit Germanov (798-4696, ext. 386 or ggermanov@jecottawa.com).

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Program offers opportunity for grads

By Adam Carroll

I have been fortunate to participate in the Canada-Israel Committee's Parliamentary Internship Program since September. The CIC's Executive Director Shimon Fogel established this program five years ago to provide Jewish graduates with a working experience in a Member of Parliament's office and reciprocally, provide Hill offices with qualified and motivated assistants. Many graduates from the program have

gone on to successful careers in Members' offices and in the public service.

The opportunity to participate in this program was a dream-come-true for me. Growing up in Ottawa, with a highly politically involved family imparted in me, a keen interest in Canadian politics. With that in mind, it should not be too surprising that during the federal election of 1988, while my friends had posters of Mr. T on their walls, I had one of John Turner!

I value the opportunity I have had to work for Joe Volpe, Member of Parliament for Eglinton-Lawrence. He is dedicated to his constituents and has been a close friend to the Jewish community and Israel since his election to Parliament in 1988.

For this reason, it was not a surprise or coincidence that a CIC intern would be accepted into Mr. Volpe's office. Some may remember him as one of only two Members of Parliament to attend and speak at last year's Israel rally on Parlia-

ment Hill and he continues to speak out for our community at every opportunity.

If it were not for the CIC, I would not have had the opportunity to participate in such an important program. I am thankful to Shimon Fogel for his innovative initiative, to David Cooper for coordinating the program and to Joe Volpe and his staff for participating in the program.

I strongly encourage any recent graduate with an interest in federal politics to think about participating in this program next year. I also encourage other community organizations to consider establishing similar programs in their area of interest.

It is getting increasingly difficult for graduates to find meaningful employment, but programmes such as this are imperative to the futures of young graduates and to the community as a whole.

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A Modern Guide for the Perplexed

By Estelle Melzer

In honour of the 800th Yartzeit of Maimonides, Rabbi Wayne Allen will present *A Modern Guide for the Perplexed: Three Lectures on Maimonides Insights for Today*, at Agudath Israel Synagogue on January 23-25.

He will take three questions which Maimonides grappled with in his famous *Guide for the Perplexed* and examine how they relate to the dilemmas we face in our perplexing modern world.

On Friday, January 23, after Shabbat dinner at 5:30 p.m., Rabbi Allen will explore the topic, *Why Do*



Rabbi Wayne Allen

Bad Things Happen to Good People?

"Rabbi Harold Kushner contends that since God is not all-powerful, bad things will happen to good people," he states. "Maimonides,

however, is unwilling to make that concession since it enfeebls our notion of God. How then, can we deal with the problem of vindicating God's justice and goodness in spite of the existence of evil."

During Shabbat morning services Rabbi Allen will discuss the topic, *Does Prayer Really Matter?*

"Today, for many people, prayer seems formalistic and mechanical. But for Maimonides the problem was far worse," Rabbi Allen comments. "For Maimonides, every positive statement about God is either false or meaningless, since God is unknowable. Since much of our prayer is statement, Maimonides seems to discount the value of prayer altogether. How he avoids this dilemma may be a big help to our modern minds."

During Sunday morning breakfast at 9:30 am. Rabbi Allen will discuss the topic *Do Torah and Science Conflict?*

"People today are generally confronted with a choice between the truth of science and the truth of sacred text," Allen states. "To choose science means abandoning tradition but to choose Torah means abandoning modernity. Is there no compromise between heresy and the rejection of new ideas? Maimonides, a noted physician and scientist, confronted that

question in the 12th century. His response may offer insights as well for the 21st century."

Rabbi Wayne Allen is the rabbi of Beth Tikvah Synagogue in Toronto. He has a BA in philosophy from New York University and an MA in philosophy from York University where he is currently working on his PhD. He has taught in the religious studies department of California State University at Long Beach and at the University of Judaism, the west coast branch of the Jewish Theological Seminary.

He also serves as a member of the Panel of Halakic Enquiry of the Union for Traditional Conservative Judaism, is the coauthor of the book, *Giving Thanks*, and the editor of two volumes on Jewish Law.

Shabbat dinner is \$20 for Agudath Israel members and \$25 for non-members. Children 12 and under are \$15. Sunday breakfast is \$5. To reserve please call the synagogue office (728-3501).

Moses Maimonides – scholar, philosopher and physician

By Estelle Melzer

Moses Maimonides (1135-1204), popularly known as the Rambam, was one of our greatest Jewish philosophers and thinkers, as well as a distinguished physician.

His two greatest works were the *Mishneh Torah* and *The Guide for the Perplexed*.

The *Mishneh Torah*, a huge religious code of 14 books, is a systematic summary of the legal formulations of the Talmud and other rabbinic writings. Although attacked and even burned at the time of its introduction it became accepted as an authoritative code by most Jewish communities in Europe.

The Guide for the Perplexed attempted to harmonize the teachings of Judaism with the philosophy of Aristotle, which was the modern, accepted



Moses Maimonides

thinking of his time.

In the words of Maimonides, *The Guide for the Perplexed* was written "to promote the true understanding of the real spirit of the Law, to guide those religious persons who, adhering to the Torah, have studied philosophy and are embarrassed by the contradictions between the teaching of philosophy and the literal sense of the Torah."

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A musical legacy from Russia and Eastern Europe at Temple Israel

On Sunday, February 8, at 7:30 pm, at Temple Israel, Barbara Kagedan and David Malecki, accompanied by Carol Gurofsky, will present *Voices Lost and Found: A Musical Legacy from Russia and Eastern Europe*.

The evening will celebrate a group of Jewish composers whose songs captured the Jewish spirit in music. Many of the songs have never before been performed in Ottawa (and possibly not in Canada); they were buried for decades by the politics of Stalinism and anti-Semitism. Discovered

only in the past few years, the songs are finally being heard in Europe and the United States and, with this concert, in Ottawa, as well.

In 1908, a group of young Russian Jewish musicians came together to create something utterly new and unprecedented: the St. Petersburg Society for Jewish Folk Music. The Society, which existed for only ten years, became a dynamic hub of activity for musicians to compose, collect Jewish folk songs from communities throughout Russia, and present concerts and lectures

to enthusiastic audiences. In its brief life, 81 music selections were created and published by the Society.

On February 8, Ottawa audiences will have their first opportunity to hear some of the exceptional music written by these composers.

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The evening will also include several compositions by musicians who refused to allow their incarceration during the Holocaust to destroy their musical souls. Their music speaks of beauty and hope in the midst of the horrors



Barbara Kagedan and David Malecki

engulfing them. Two pieces by Viktor Ullmann, the prominent Czech Jewish composer who composed prodigiously while interred in Theresienstadt before he was murdered at Auschwitz, will also be performed.

February 8 promises to be an evening of exceptional music. Barbara Kagedan

and David Malecki are well known to Ottawa audiences. Both sing regularly as soloists around town. The Ottawa Jewish community knows them particularly for their work with Musica Ebraica, the chamber choir they founded together in 2001. Malecki is the music director of the choir, and

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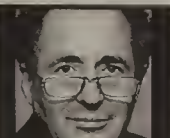
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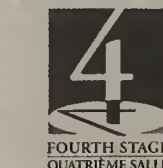
Local playwright inspired by grandmother's experience

Surrounded by papers and brimming with ideas, Patsy Royer and Arianne Matte discuss Productions Nemesis' next show, *Slipping Mind*. The one-woman play was penned by Matte and is directed by Royer for its world premiere at the National Arts Centre this month. Although this is not the first play they participate in together, it is the first of this magnitude.

"We actually played the romantic leads in a Purim spiel at Temple Israel a few years ago," recalls Matte. "But *Slipping Mind* is an entirely different story. It's drawn from my own family's experience, from my grandmother's experience with Alzheimer's disease. It's poignant, it's real, and it's a challenge to put on."

Matte says the play is inspired by her grandmother, Sylvia Haltrecht.

"The story is told from four different points of view," says Matte. "The



audience gets to know the woman with the disease, her daughter, her granddaughter and her caregiver. Although it's a dramatized account, this is very much my family's story."

Royer has directed dozens of plays. Her schedule is already full with volunteer gigs, but she is enjoying her time working on *Slipping Mind*.

Because the play is about Alzheimer's disease and how it affects people and their families, it is no coincidence that it is being shown in January, National Alzheimer Awareness Month. The play's production company, Productions Nemesis, has pledged to

give a portion of profits to the Alzheimer Society of Ottawa. Kathy Wright, executive director of the Alzheimer Society of Ottawa, had the opportunity to read *Slipping Mind*.

"The script captures many of the feelings and questions a family struggles with when a loved one is diagnosed with Alzheimer disease," she says. "It's obvious that Arianne has written this from the heart and from her own personal experience with her grandmother."

Slipping Mind will be at the National Arts Centre's Fourth Stage on January 30 and 31 at 7:30 pm. Tickets are \$15 and are available at the NAC box office, through Ticketmaster, or via Productions Nemesis (567-6673).

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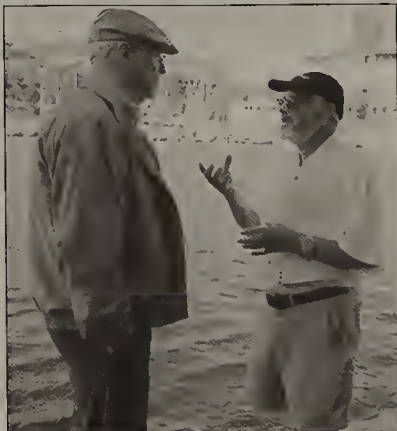
The Statement: Vichy war criminals in modern day France

By Balint Molnar

Oscar nominated Canadian director Norman Jewison's new film, *The Statement* is based on the 1996 Brian Moore bestseller of the same title. In turn, the book's main character, and that of the movie, is eerily reminiscent of real life French war criminal Paul. Touvier. On April 20, 1994, Touvier became the first Frenchman to be found guilty of war-related crimes against humanity for ordering the execution of seven Jews 50 years earlier, while he was serving in a pro-Nazi militia that had been set up by the collaborationist Vichy government.

The movie's main protagonist, called Pierre Brossard and excellently played by Michael Caine, has been living in hiding for decades after being indicted – just like Touvier – for crimes against humanity he committed while being a member of a Nazi collaborationist militia in Vichy-France. Brossard is living his life constantly on the move, shuttling between picturesque monasteries in the French countryside, aided by a secretive society of Catholic clergymen and mysterious friends high up in the French government, who also send him his meagre monthly allowances.

Brossard's life, however, changes abruptly when, while nearly escaping a seemingly Jewish assassin's



Norman Jewison (right) and Michael Caine (as Pierre Brossard) on the set of *The Statement*.

(Photo: Jerome Prébols)

bullet by killing the man, he also learns that there is a new inquiry into his whereabouts led by a young female prosecuting judge and an police colonel. In the meantime, the shadowy group trying to kill him dispatches a second hitman. Brossard goes on the run once again, trying to outwit his pursuers, who will either arrest him, or kill him depending on who gets to him first.

During Brossard's increasingly frantic attempts to escape his pursuers, the viewer is step-by-step awakened to the disturbing web of complicity and outright support that have sheltered war crim-

inals from the law in post-Second World War France.

Brossard, we realize, is just a small fish whose exposure would merely precipitate the fall of the dominoes that eventually could shake the Catholic Church and the French state to their cores. He needs to be silenced.

All the ingredients for an exciting, interesting and thoughtful movie are present in *The Statement*: a both critically acclaimed and popular novel, an excellent cast of British character actors, a renowned director, good producer (Robert Lantos of *Sunshine*) and a fine screenwriter (*The Pianist*'s Ronald Harwood).

Yet, the mix does not come alive on the screen, which is lamentable, considering the timeliness and potential resonance of the story. While Michael Caine, who portrays the repulsive but ultimately pathetic Brossard brilliantly, and other cast members – among them Tilda Swinton, Alan Bates and Jeremy Northam – raise the movie's quality considerably, they cannot save it from its own indecision. It simply cannot commit whether to offer disturbing social commentary on the elusive nature of historic justice or to emphasize the story's thriller-like plot – and eventually falls short on both.

In a year that has seen a number of memorable movies with Holocaust related stories – most notably the Oscar winning *The Pianist*, Tim Blake Nelson's *Grey Zone* and Istvan Szabo's *Taking Sides* – *The Statement* leaves one with a sense of discontent for few of the underlying questions get

even remotely satisfying scrutiny. Instead the movie offers two anti-climactic endings, one for Brossard and one for those above him, none of them providing real closure or elevation for the audience.

Yet, while failing to fill

its considerable shoes, *The Statement* is ultimately a decent movie, with a story that, at the very least, could raise further awareness about the complicity of many countries in the murder of their Jewish citizens, a topic that sadly retains its relevance.

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Lou was the epitome of a family man. Everything was for Hennie and the boys. He worked hard; he played hard, and gave everything he could. He was an avid athlete for most of his life, a respected businessman, a community volunteer, and a very dear friend to many.

He touched the lives of so many people. During the week of Shiv'ah the family was blessed to hear stories of Lou's good deeds from those who came to visit. Lou never boasted about the things he did, he was a humble man - he did not want the accolades, he just had a strong desire to make other people



happy, and he did. A real "tzadek."

His love for being Jewish coupled with his love for children blessed our community with the "Tallis & Tefillin club," the annual Purim carnival at Machzikei Hadas, and his involvement with Camp B'nai Brith just to name a few. A great supporter of Jewish Education, he made many personal sacrifices to ensure the viability of Star of David Hebrew School.

Uncle Lou told the best stories. I so enjoyed those late nights after the family

dinners, when Lou along with my dear father would tell their stories about the good old days. They kept us entertained for hours - we laughed, we joked, we cried - and we created memories to cherish forever.

I can still hear his voice, - "Come Leeb, sit down beside me and tell me what you are up to this week." He was always interested in what I was doing. It truly mattered to him. We had a connection similar to that of a father and daughter.

One of the things I admired the most about Lou was his unconditional devotion to my dear father and his best friend, Yankel. Lou made it his business to ensure that my father continued to have a social life after suffering a stroke.

Hennie and Lou were married on 13 Kislev, 5716 - Lou passed away on 13 Kislev 5764. For exactly 48 years they were partners. They showed by example to their dear sons Allen and

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For the last number of years Lou's heart was failing. He tried so hard not to let people know he wasn't well - he did not want anyone to worry about him. He pushed himself so, and refused to give up. He still had much he wanted to do in life. He was so looking forward to enjoying the retirement years with Hennie, and was already making plans for how they would celebrate their 50th wedding anniversary.

Some of the last words that Lou spoke were in asking his physician to do everything he could to keep him alive - Lou wanted to live, and had much to live for.

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Tamir annual celebration of light shines bright

By Diane Koven
Chanukah, the Festival of Lights, was celebrated at parties large and small throughout the community; but none more festive than that of Tamir.

A special gift by Norm and Debbie Ferkin, whose daughter Vicky is an active Tamir participant, added an extra source of light to the celebration at the SJCC.

"Every person has sources of light in their life," said Norm as he made the presentation. "One of our sources of light is our daughter Vicky

who has the gift of brightening the life of everyone with whom she comes in contact. Tamir and its Judaic Outreach Program leaders, Leah Smith and Cantor Danny Benlolo, have enabled Vicky to shine her light even brighter.

"In recognition of their efforts we have decided to donate a different source of light to the Tamir Timeshare program."

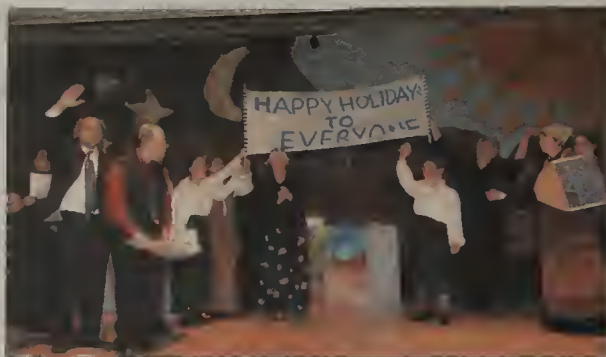
The Ferkins presented a beautiful "Fiddler on the Roof" Chanukia and inaugurated it that very evening during the communal

candle-lighting.

From the moment the Tamir choir, under the direction of Cantor Daniel Benlolo, opened the evening with its enthusiastic chorus of "Heveinu Shalom Aleichem," the mood was set.

As Esther Tarasofsky, Tamir president, said in her welcoming remarks, "We have theatre and music and good food, and what more can you ask for?"

What more, indeed? Participants had been preparing for the event for months and their excitement was palpable. With the guidance of Judaic Outreach Director Leah Smith and Cantor Benlolo, an ambitious program had been assembled.



TAMIR celebrates Chanukah at the Soloway Jewish Community Centre.

A Chanukah skit, complete with costumes, props and music, highlighted the talents of a number of Tamir

participants.

"We initially put together a rough draft of six scenes," said Smith. "Then volunteers from the Judaic Studies class and staff from the Broadview house and the Townhouse helped the performers create their roles."

Under the able direction of Rena Herman, and with the assistance of volunteers Barbara Greenberg, Jan Jones and Leo Lightstone who helped the performers with their lines and their places on stage, the Tamir players proudly portrayed the story of Chanukah.

Claire Zloten and Edith Garman, two members of the Tamir Choir, assisted volunteers Dan Elmose and Aaron Woznica with the props and costumes. Edith said she sewed for hours,

but it was a labour of love.

The Tamir Sing and Play group performed for the very first time. Their rousing rendition of "I Have a Little Dreidel" and "Sivivon," accompanied by Leah Smith on the piano and volunteer musicians Leo Lightstone on guitar and Elan Dubrofsky on flute, delighted the audience.

Following the performance, families were invited to join the actors and singers in the lighting of Chanukah candles, the singing of the blessings and, of course, to feast on potato latkes and other seasonal treats. The light of the burning candles was reflected in sparkling eyes and shining smiles throughout the room.

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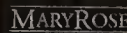
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Concert at Lodge features resident and student choirs

By Estelle Melzer

Talk about a "mutual admiration society!" The first inter-generational choir concert at The Bess and Moe Greenberg Family Hillel Lodge was more like an inter-generational love fest.

The Terry Fox Public School Choir, composed of students from grades 7 and 8, accompanied by the Terry Fox School Orchestra, came to the Lodge to present a program of Chanukah and seasonal songs - together with a choir from Hillel Lodge.

Over the last few weeks, each choir had been rehearsing separately with musical director, Leslie Bricker. Young and old voices joined together to perform an "awesome" concert.

The concept for this project and the moving force behind it was Bricker, a music teacher at Terry Fox Public School and a dedicated Lodge volunteer. Bricker, an elementary music teacher for 25 years, had been visiting Lodge residents on a regular basis with her sons, Alex and Aron. Alex would play his violin and Aron would sing and everyone loved them.

"Music is such a universal language," she says. "Whatever your age or background, it is something that everyone responds to."



Musical director Leslie Bricker (at the piano) leads Hillel Lodge residents and the Terry Fox Public School Choir in song.

Bricker wanted to do something more with music at the Lodge and then she remembered a film she had seen about an inter-generational choir in New York. "I had my project," Bricker said. "I knew before I started this school year that I was going to create an inter-generational choir with my students and my friends at the Lodge."

The idea behind the concert was to get as many people as possible making music as well as listening to it. Thus all the residents were handed out sheets and rhythm instruments and encouraged to sing along.

The concert opened with

both choirs singing a rousing rendition of *Sevivon*. Terry Fox students showcased their musical skills with a challenging version of *Eight Are the Candles of Chanukah*, utilizing instruments, mixed choir and harmony. Led by the Hillel Lodge Choir, residents responded with a full voiced rendition of *Maoz Tzur*, a song familiar to all after a lifetime of lighting Chanukah candles. "You're putting on just as much of a concert for the kids as they are for you," Bricker remarked with delight.

One of the highlights of the concert was the Lodge Choir's rousing version of *Ofenpripichuk*. No one had

it Snow and, of course, that old favourite, *Jingle Bells*. A more unusual request was *When the Rabbi Sings*, which included the verse, "When the Rabbi boogies."

The climax of the concert was an impromptu dance to the tune of *Hava Nagilla* led by Betty Rosenberg with all the kids joining in to make

Hillel Lodge's first mosh pit.

On the bus back to school, Bricker explained to her students what a mitzvah was. "You saw the faces of the residents. You know you gave something to them - and you got something in return," she said. That's what everyone felt at the Lodge's first inter-generational concert.



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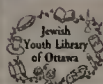
The man replied:

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Sol and Zelaine Shinder to represent Ottawa at State of Israel Bonds' launch

Jewish communal leaders Sol and Zelaine Shinder will represent Ottawa at State of Israel Bonds' international Prime Minister's Club dinner on Sunday, Jan. 25, at the Boca West Country Club in Boca Raton, FL. The event will launch Israel Bonds' 2004 campaign.

The Shinders are among 21 Americans and Canadians who will receive the Spirit of Jerusalem Medalion for their support of the Bonds program. Benjamin Netanyahu, Israel's Finance Minister and former Prime Minister, and Israel Bonds President and CEO Joshua

Matza will make the presentations.

Sol Shinder chaired Ottawa's Israel Bonds campaign from 1985 to 1987. A veteran leader of the Ottawa Jewish community, he also served as president of the council of Vaad Ha'ir and as chairman of the United Jewish Appeal, Jewish Community Foundation, and the board of Hillel Academy.

In addition, Shinder chaired the boards of the Ottawa Civic and Loeb Health Research Institute, was a founding director of the recently merged Ottawa Hospital, and served on the

board of the Ottawa Heart Institute.

Zelaine Shinder was instrumental in reactivating the Israel Bonds Women's Division in Ottawa. During a productive two-year term as its chair, she founded the local Golda Meir Club.

A lifelong supporter of Jewish education, Shinder also founded the Jewish Resource Centre for

Ottawa's Hebrew schools and organized and served as chair of the city's first Board of Jewish Education. In addition, she has chaired the UJA Women's Division and Na'mat (Pioneer Women) in Ottawa.

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When age doesn't matter: students teach their elders

The Lubavitcher Rebbe, of righteous memory often said that "If you know the first letter of the alphabet (the aleph) teach it to someone that doesn't. Every Jew has something valuable to impart."

That lesson resonated recently with a group of 22 young girls from the Bais Chaya Mushka Seminary of Montreal and some 30 women in the Chabad Pro-

ject Talmud class in Ottawa.

At a lunch-and-learn session in the Jewish Community Centre of Ottawa, the seminary students and the class participants studied together in a "chavrusa" one-on-one style of learning that blurred the lines between teacher and student and left everyone eager for more.

Brenda Mussman, one of the Ottawa participants, said, "I enjoyed this type of learning immensely and found the girls knowledgeable and so willing to share. They are so enthusiastic, their energy is contagious. I feel privileged to have participated."

This project was sponsored by the Jewish Youth Library of Ottawa, Bais Chaya Mushka Seminary of Montreal, and the Soloway Jewish Community Centre of Ottawa and was under the direction of Mrs. Devorah Caytak.



Tamir Judaic Outreach Programs January - February 2004

Leah Smith, Judaic Program Coordinator • 266-0544

Date	Program	Place	Time
Wednesdays	"Ventas" For Women Leah & Jan Jones	Tamir Boardroom 11 Nadolny Sachs Private	5:00 - 6:00
Wednesdays starts Jan. 7	Judaic Studies Cantor Benlolo & Leah Smith	Tamir Boardroom 11 Nadolny Sachs Private	6:00 - 7:30
Thursdays starts Jan. 8	Sing & Play Along Leah & Rena	840 Broadway Fun for Everyone	3:30 - 4:30
Thursdays starts Jan. 8	Tamir Choir Cantor Benlolo	Tamir Boardroom 11 Nadolny Sachs Private	6:00 - 7:00
Thursdays starts Jan. 8	Let's Learn Hebrew Rena & Leah	Tamir Boardroom 11 Nadolny Sachs Private	7:00 - 8:00
Saturday Jan. 10	Shabbat Service Cantor Benlolo	Beth Shalom Chapel Street	10:00 - 12:30
Monday Jan. 12	Women Only Swim Leah & Gittel	SJCC Pool 21 Nadolny Sachs Private	7:00 - 8:30
Friday Jan. 23	Community Shabbat Dinner RSVP	Hostess: Shirley Richmond Road	6:00 - 9:00
Sunday Jan. 25	Torah Stories RSVP	Rideau Regional Smiths Falls	11:00 - 3:00
Wednesday Jan. 28	Talit Making with Rabbi Blum	Tamir Boardroom 11 Nadolny Sachs Private	6:00 - 7:30
Sunday Feb. 8	Tu B'Shevat Cantor Benlolo	Museum of Civilization 100 Laurier, Hull	1:00 - 2:30
Sunday Feb. 15	Tu B'Shevat RSVP	Rideau Regional Smiths Falls	11:00 - 3:30
Sunday Feb. 15	Movie & Pizza \$5.00	Tamir Boardroom 11 Nadolny Sachs Private	3:30 - 6:30
Friday Feb. 20	Community Shabbat Dinner RSVP	Tamir Boardroom 11 Nadolny Sachs Private	5:30 - 8:30
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Lawyer Stanley Kershman puts your debt on a diet

By Diane Koven

Why would a lawyer who is a specialist in bankruptcy and insolvency law, who earns his living dealing with people who have fallen into the clutches of enormous debt, decide to write a book to help people avoid the downward spiral of financial ruin?

Stanley Kershman has done just that with his new book, appetizingly entitled *Put your Debt on a Diet: A step-by-step Guide to Financial Fitness*.

Why, indeed? "There wasn't anything out there in that area," said Kershman. "There are a lot of books on investing, on how to use your RRSPs, but there are not a lot of books about building a financial foundation that is solid, or about repairing that foundation if it gets a large crack in it, and how to deal pro-actively with those potential cracks."

With so many people trying a myriad of diets to lose weight, the diet analo-



"Chef" Stanley Kershman
(Photo: Marilyn Mikkelsen Photography)

gy is bound to strike a chord. Tightening the proverbial belt can definitely have both literal and figurative meanings and Ker-

shman's clever chapter titles make liberal use of the play on words. Chapter Seven, for instance, recognizes that no plan is perfect

and that backsliding need not be fatal. In this chapter, "Coping with the Unforeseen: How to Handle Dietary Setbacks," Kershman deals with life's inevitable "surprises."

"Life, as we all know from experience," it begins, "can be unpredictable. Sometimes, despite our best efforts and intentions, we're caught off guard by the unexpected."

"While the scenarios that we look at in this chapter (job loss, marital breakdown, incapacitation, death) are considerably more serious than a simple dietary falling-off-the-wagon, the remedy is pretty much the same: You still have to pick yourself up, dust yourself off, and get back on track."

In a simple, straightforward, easy-to-read and easy-to-follow manner, Kershman provides concrete, practical tips for how to do this. Every chapter has specific examples that anyone can follow, as well as a box with a "Success Tip,"

and every chapter ends with a concise summary.

There are chapters to help people of every age and stage of life, including children and teens who, Kershman feels, should learn early to handle money responsibly.

"One of the phrases that children hate to hear when they want something is 'I'm sorry, but we can't afford that,' and some people are afraid to say that to their children," says Kershman, "because it is perceived to be a sign of weakness or inability to provide."

An early lesson in self-restraint, he feels, can prevent a debt-ridden future.

The book contains handy charts to help calculate a family's budget as well as an appendix listing the contact information for credit counselling agencies across Canada.

Many people experiencing financial difficulties may be unaware that help is available, usually at no cost, in almost every area of the country.

Kershman is available to speak to groups. He may be contacted at skershman@perlaw.ca.

Want to beat the February blahs?

Get down and boogie

By Laurence Wall

Are you dreading those endless winter months in Ottawa?

Does February in particular chill your bones with its cold, snow and howling winds?

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The co-chair of the organizing committee, Brenda

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Temple Israel hosts 'Mitzvah Corps Fall Kallah'

By Joshua Paquin
The Federation of Reform Ottawa Senior Temple Youth played host to over 200 teenagers from the Great Lakes region.

Entitled, *Mitzvah Corps Fall Kallah*, "the weekend event was held November 21-23. Representatives

from 20 Reform temples were on hand to participate in educational programming and charitable projects throughout the city.

"The most important part of the weekend is definitely the Mitzvah projects," said local coordinator Alyza Weinberg. "Our programming theme was 'Anti-Semitism and Education,' but the community volunteer time is the real reason the participants are here."

Fall Kallah is one of eight events held annually by the National Federation of Temple Youth's North-east Lakes Region. It marked the first NFTY-NEL event held in Ottawa since 2000 and the largest in recent memory. Acting FROSTY advisor Dr. Michael Parkin said the choice of Ottawa as the event location was an honour for FROSTY and for Temple Israel.

"By participating in acts of chesed here in Ottawa,



Two hundred teenagers from the Great Lakes region attended the Fall Kallah at Temple Israel.

we hope that the participants learn that their good deeds can make an important difference wherever they go."

FROSTY President Josh Viner added, "We're hoping that, if the young people

have the opportunity to volunteer today, they'll be more likely to do so in the future."

FROSTY is Ottawa's only Reform youth group and is open to all Jewish

youth grades 8-12, regardless of synagogue affiliation. For membership information, call FROSTY Advisor Sue Potechin Ruckenstein (224-3531).

FROSTY joins Ottawa Jewish Youth Council

FROSTY officers expressed optimism and excitement about the recent creation of the Ottawa Jewish Youth Council, a new coalition of local Jewish youth groups committed to community-wide youth programming.

"Our expectations are great and so is our enthusiasm for this idea," said Josh Paquin, programming vice-president, Federation of Reform Ottawa Senior Temple Youth.

"Galit Germanov, the community shlicha (Israeli emissary), got this idea going. She felt that there was much potential in cooperation between our various organizations. We've had the same view in FROSTY for some time, but until now there just wasn't the will to take that next step."

The youth council has representatives from each youth movement in the city. The first event will take place on the 28th of February, and the topic will be *Dilemmas in Zionism Today*. As well, a Casino night will be held and food will be collected for charity. Watch the *Bulletin* for further details.




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
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Hillel Academy supports United Way campaign

Stephen Greenberg, chair of the Ottawa United Way Campaign visited Hillel Academy to thank the students for participating in a *Toonie Trail*. The students earmarked their funds to the Ottawa School Breakfast Program, which ensures that

our city's children do not start school hungry.

Naomi Lipsky Cracower has been the coordinator of the Hillel Academy United Way campaign for the past ten years. Staff members and students have raised over \$15,000 during those years.

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Gaby Sassoon was an inspiration to all who knew him.

He was a champion volunteer and strong supporter of a great number of causes in the community, including the Jewish Youth Library of Ottawa on whose board of directors he served. His life was cut short on July 22, 2002 at the age of 58.

In conjunction with its 20th anniversary, the Jewish Youth Library initiated a Tree of Life fundraising campaign and commemorative dinner in Gaby's memory.

Gaby's family and large network of friends attended the beautiful dinner held at Machzikei Hadas last March 23 and purchased leaves and other dedications on the Tree of Life.

On Sunday, November 23, Gaby's friends and family gathered at the Jewish Youth Library of Ottawa to dedicate the Tree of Life in Gaby's memory.

Devora Caytak, director of the Jewish Youth Library, welcomed the guests and gave a brief history of the library, which she and her husband Dr. Joseph Caytak started 20 years ago in the basement of their home.

The library is now located in a beautiful two story

converted house on Switzer Avenue and offers a variety of outstanding programs and resources for adults, teens and children including the Pre-school of the Arts, the Gan Israel Summer Camp for Girl, and the Jewish Women's Institute.

Marjorie Feldman brought greetings on behalf of the board of directors and presented the Jewish Youth Library with a tribute book in memory of Gaby which she and Pauline Pankowski had organized.

Rabbi Reuven Bulka congratulated the Jewish Youth Library and its committee for creating a beautiful memorial in memory of Gaby: "I think of Gaby as a Tree of Life, an inspirational effervescence of joy, of courage, of warmth."

Suzanne Sassoon, Gaby's widow, thanked the community for all their support. She then unveiled the beautiful Tree of Life which is located on the library's first floor wall.

The community is encouraged to visit the library and view the Tree of Life. Leaves and other dedications are available to honour a loved one or to mark a special occasion.

For further information, contact Devora Caytak (729-1619).



Art therapist Claire Cohen discusses the meaning of a painting with members of Temple Israel's Prime Time group.

Art therapy encourages insight and self-awareness

By Carl Steinberg
Claire Cohen gave a presentation on art therapy during the Prime Time lunch and learn program at Temple Israel. Cohen holds a BA in fine arts and a Masters degree in Educational Counselling. She has been a certified art-therapist since 1989.

The Prime Time group got the opportunity to draw their own pictures and discuss them. Later in the presentation, Cohen explained the nature of art as therapy through showing examples of artwork of clients she worked with (their names were kept confidential).

Cohen explained the value of the art expression, which provides an opportunity to communicate difficult and confusing feelings in symbols and colours, rather than words. The emphasis in this approach is on the

process of producing the artwork rather than the finished product. The experience of producing the art is a healing process on its own, and encourages independence, insight and self-awareness.

Various art activities suggested by the art therapist are age related and designed to meet the needs of the respected age group to promote positive results.

To learn more about art therapy contact Claire Cohen (228-0813).

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Green Bean and Pomegranate Salad

Serves 4

The thin green beans sometimes called hancot vert or Kenyan green beans are wonderful in this salad. They are more expensive than regular green beans but are worth the price as they are never tough and fibrous. I can usually find them at *Herb and Spice* or *Fresh Fruit* in the Byward market. The salad dressing in this recipe is from Susie Fishbein's book, *Kosher by Design* (Mesorah Publications, 2003).

1 pound of green beans, washed and trimmed
1 pomegranate, seeded
1/4 cup shelled pistachios, toasted and cooled

1/4 cup balsamic vinegar
1 tablespoon Dijon mustard
1/4 teaspoon kosher salt
1/8 teaspoon freshly ground pepper
pinch of sugar
2 teaspoons finely grated lemon zest
3/4 cup extra virgin olive oil

Bring a large pot of water to a boil. Add a spoonful of salt and the beans and boil for 2 minutes for haricot vert, or 4 minutes for regular green beans. While beans are boiling fill a large bowl with cold water and ice cubes. Drain beans and immediately plunge them into the ice water. Drain and pat dry.

Place dressing ingredients in a glass jar and shake to emulsify. Just before serving, toss beans with about 1/3 cup of dressing. (The balance of the dressing can be kept in the fridge for about 2 weeks.) Arrange dressed beans on a platter, sprinkle with pomegranate seeds and pistachios.

The power of pomegranate

Some may find it strange that I am writing about pomegranates in January, since traditionally we associate the pomegranate with Rosh Hashanah. The numerous seeds in a pomegranate symbolize the hope that the year ahead will be one in which we will perform many worthy deeds. There is a belief that the pomegranate has 613 seeds, the same as the number of mitzvot. While scientists suggest that the number of seeds in a pomegranate is most likely dependant upon the degree of pollination, the original belief has persisted as counting the seeds is not easy. After all, peeling and seeding a pomegranate is a tedious and messy affair. Cookbook author Mark Bittman recently wrote, "Certainly among the strangest and most cumbersome of the fruits we eat, a labyrinth of seeds wrapped in fruit buried in a mass of inedible flesh surrounded by a tough skin."

So although pomegranate are symbolically linked to Rosh Hashanah, good luck finding one in Ottawa in September. They really do not appear in our grocery stores until late November and are delicious and plentiful for the next several months.

As a child, I remember being dressed in red and sent outside with my sisters to eat pomegranates. My mother did not want the messy juice to stain our clothing or the furniture. We would come back inside with fingers red from frostbite and pomegranate juice.

I have discovered a neater and warmer way to remove the seeds. Cut off the crown of the pomegranate and insert the tip of a sharp knife into the center of the fruit. Gently wiggle the knife to break the pomegranate in half, being careful to rupture as few seeds as possible. Submerge pomegranate halves in a large bowl full of water. Use your fingers to gently pry the seeds from the white fleshy membrane. By doing this under water, any juice that squirts will stay in the bowl and not on you or your counters. The seeds will sink and the pith and peel float so it's easy to separate the seeds.

Admittedly, seeding a pomegranate is a messy and tedious affair. But the rewards are worth the effort. Aside from being delicious, pomegranates are high in potassium, vitamin C and rich in antioxidants. A small pomegranate is only 125 calories.

Pomegranate Chicken

Serves 4

This recipe calls for concentrated pomegranate juice, usually sold under the name of "Grenadine Molasses." It comes in a bottle and I usually find it at the *Allspice Superstore* on Robertson Rd. in Bell's Corners. Serve this recipe with jasmine rice.

3 1/2 pound chicken, cut into 8 pieces
1 1/2 teaspoons kosher salt
1 teaspoon paprika
1 teaspoon freshly ground black pepper
1 tablespoon olive oil
2 medium onions, chopped finely
4 cloves garlic, crushed in garlic press
1 small jalapeno pepper, seeds discarded and finely minced
3 tablespoons Grenadine Molasses (pomegranate concentrate)

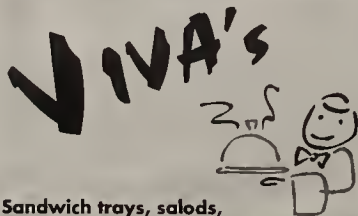
1-28 ounce can Italian plum tomatoes
Seeds of 1 pomegranate for garnish

Sprinkle both sides of the chicken pieces with salt, paprika and pepper. Heat olive oil in a large skillet set over medium high heat. Add chicken pieces, skin side down, and cook until chicken is brown, about 5-7 minutes.

Remove chicken pieces to a platter and set aside. In the same skillet, add onions, garlic and jalapeno and cook for about 3 minutes on low heat, stirring occasionally. Place chicken pieces back in pan on top of onion mixture, skin side up. Continue cooking for another 2 minutes.

Drain tomatoes and reserve juice. Coarsely chop tomatoes. Add chopped tomatoes, tomato juice and grenadine molasses to pan. Mix everything together and bring to a boil. Turn heat down to simmer, cover skillet and cook for another 20-30 minutes until chicken is done.

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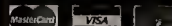
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Definitely not a review of a unique haggadah

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The Israel Museum, Jerusalem

and Koren Publishers Jerusalem Ltd.

Kidsbooks, Incorporated, Chicago, Illinois 1997

66 pages Ages 10 and up



Kid Lit

Deanna Silverman

In the spirit of the CBC Radio One program "Definitely Not The Opera," this is definitely not a review. It is more like an infomercial - an attempt to inform readers about a unique Passover Haggadah that I assume is meant for children because it includes seven interesting and artistic activity pages - pop-ups, pull-tabs, lift flaps. And I'm writing about it now to give anyone interested in purchasing it enough time to actually have it in hand for Passover.

Those interactive pages mentioned above are meant to bring the Passover story to life for young children. Kids can pull tabs to see the ancient Hebrews, mainly dressed in medieval tunics, prepare Matza and Haroset for the Seder or an Egyptian beating a Hebrew slave, or a pop-up group of Hebrews crossing the Red Sea or others preparing to eat the Seder meal. They can lift flaps to see the ten plagues. A pop-up page clarifies the meaning of the final song, *Chad Gadya*. That's all great stuff.

But what puzzles me is the fact that those activities are appropriate for preschoolers and children in grades K-3. However, as you can see from the age suggestion, that is not the audience I would select for this Haggadah.

Why not? Three major reasons. One, this Haggadah is inspired by the German Bird's-head Haggadah, an early Ashkenazi illuminated manuscript dating back to c. 1300. The original Bird's-head Haggadah was rediscovered after the Holocaust and is held by the Israel Museum in Jerusalem.

Probably because of the second commandment's injunction against graven images, the original Bird's-head Haggadah generally depicted the faces of the ancient Hebrews as large beaked birds, often wearing pointed hats

in conformity with a 1215 German church edict. It distorted the faces of the Egyptians and angels as well. Because this Haggadah retains those features, I think most pull-tab youngsters would find it unsettling if not frightening.

Two, this is a gorgeous, do-not-get-it-dirty-at-all-costs Haggadah with numerous other unusual features. The pages are coloured to look like parchment, which occasionally makes reading it in either Hebrew or English more of a challenge.

Three, the English and Hebrew layouts are inconsistent. This includes location of words on the page, size of print, shape of the printed line, and rare English spellings of words. For example, the guy we know as Pharaoh, in this Haggadah is Par'O, Egypt is always Mizrayim, etc. In other words, there are more inconsistencies than a young child can easily cope with.

Copy information on the book's box style slipcover and inside page states, "the Hebrew text and the English translation are from the original Haggadah published by Koren Publishers Jerusalem." I don't know what that refers to, not having any other guidance about that original Haggadah. However, I do know that in this Haggadah the Hebrew text and the English translation are complete, with no omissions but also no extras like interpretations.

All that is not to say that this isn't a remarkable Haggadah because it is. That's why I'm writing about it. Many of the print layouts are fascinating. The various styles of print are worth poring over. And the artwork is outstanding.

Clearly this is not a Haggadah for heavy use at the Seder



From *The Haggadah of Passover*

table and definitely not a lot of tab pulling. Among other reasons, it's too expensive and too decorative to be exposed to all that wear and tear.

However if you are looking for a Passover something that, over time, will undoubtedly become a modern collectible or if you are interested in the artistry of Hebrew print, presentation, and a taste of the medieval Jewish mentality, this is the Haggadah for you. Enjoy it in good health!

Thank you Linda Bondar and the Hillel Academy Library for sharing it with me.

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The Book Beat

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There's sometimes nothing more enjoyable than hunkering down with a good mystery. Here are two contemporary tales in that genre: one by a local author and one by one of Israel's most revered.

The Liberated Bride
By A. B. Yehoshua
Harcourt, Inc.
Hardcover, 2003

Trying to write a concise, insightful review about this book poses quite a challenge. The story is just so multi-layered; it's not about any one thing but about many. And each theme – history, relationships, Arabs and Jews – is explored from both a cultural and personal level, and with an eye to how history (both cultural and personal) has a residual effect on contemporary society (cultural) and familial relationships (personal).

Yehoshua has said that "the idea of borders" is one thread that runs throughout this, his ninth novel. And he doesn't just mean physical borders such as those separating Arabs from

Jews. He also means those boundaries that define relationships: emotional, physical, psychological; marital, parental, friend and work related.

Bride is about Yochanon Rivlin, a professor of Near Eastern Studies at Haifa University, who tries to discover the mysterious reason for his son's sudden divorce. It is also about Rivlin's Palestinian research assistant and her mystifying behaviour, and Rivlin's fascination with Arab history and culture. And it's about Rivlin's relationship with his judge-by-profession wife. There are other relationships that are explored within the 568 pages of this book. In fact, there are so many different themes and ideas threading through this dense tale that it is no wonder Yehoshua has been likened to American author, William Faulkner. With his stream-of-consciousness prose and jumps from narrative voice to the first-person voices of some of the characters in the book, Yehoshua keeps his readers on their toes. The Arabic poetry and dialogue peppered throughout, some of which is written in Arabic (with translation), is challenging.

But it's all well worth the effort. Yehoshua writes with skill and psychological depth, but also with much humour. It is no surprise why this fifth-generation Jew – both novelist and playwright – is beloved as one of Israel's great contemporary authors.

Bride is masterfully translated from the Hebrew by author and translator Hillel Halkin, and I say "masterfully" because there has to be a certain amount of skill involved to be able to render the translation as equally literary as it must be in its original Hebrew. *Bride* was written in 1998 when relations with the Arabs were hopeful. The intifada of 2000 is now three years old and so Yehoshua's new book, which he is working on now, will be far more pessimistic, he says, and "quite gloomy and macabre."

Mist Walker
By Barbara Fradkin
Rendezvous Press
Softcover, 2003

With a Fradkin book, you know you're in for a well-spun, well-researched, and consistently well-written yarn. This one is no exception. The third in the "Inspector Green Series," it features the likeable Jew from Lowertown who's street-tough on the outside but a sofie on the inside, a really nice Jewish boy. In this story, he's drawn into a ten-year-old crime that ruined a young girl's life and the life of a quiet, unassuming teacher who found himself in a maelstrom.

Fradkin is a competent writer with a good sense of humour. She draws on literary references and for this tale, on Greek mythology. And her characters are fairly well developed. If you stick with the series long enough, you get to know the Inspector for the mensch he is. Fradkin throws in the odd Yiddish word, here and there, to remind readers of Green's ethnic background. And her local settings are comfortably familiar.

As in her previous books, Fradkin's done her homework – on forensics, on police procedure and on the theme of this story – pedophilia. But then, she writes somewhat from experience – she was a child psychologist with the Ottawa Separate School Board (now the Ottawa Carleton SSB) – and she has studied forensics. The result is another believable and solidly researched story about sexual predators and their victims. (Her first Inspector Green novel, *Do Or Die*, takes place in a local university and explores the politics of university life and tenure; the second, *Once Upon A Time*, is a story about Jewish war crimes).

Mist Walker ends somewhat abruptly with a tantalizing glimpse into a character bound to be reintroduced in Fradkin's next Inspector Green tale (due for publication next fall). But the twists and turns are satisfying. If you'd like to see the author in action, catch her February 26 for a reading at the Rockliffe Public Library.

This month at the

Greenberg Families Library:

The Ottawa Jewish Film Society presents "Gripsholm," a drama based on the novel *Schloss Gripsholm* by Kurt Tucholsky. This German/Swiss movie, made in 2000, takes us into the decadent world of Berlin cabaret at the beginning of the 1930s. It's in German with English subtitles, and will be presented Sunday afternoon, January 25, at 2:00 p.m.

The Library continues with its program, *Computers and You*, taught by Rivka Finkelstein. "Introduction to Computers" takes place Mondays from 10:00 to 11:15 a.m., and continues for three weeks beginning January 12. Cost is \$25 per three-week course, \$30 for non-members, with a maximum of four students per class.

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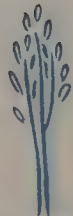
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ORGANIZATION	2003 (\$)		
General Non-Sectarian Organizations			
Alzheimer Society Ottawa-Carleton	155	Jewish Agencies in Israel, Ottawa and North America	
Andrew Fleck Integration Services	245	Tzedek Fund - Grants and Allocations (anonymous)	10,000
Arthritis Society	90	Chokmah Fund - Grants and Allocations (anonymous)	831,429
Black Canadian Scholarship Fund	450	Chessed Fund #2 - Grants and Allocations (anonymous)	1,065,489
Canadian Cancer Society	785	Gevurah Fund - Grants and Allocations (anonymous)	144,752
Canadian Diabetes Association	180	Total	2,051,670
Canadian National Institute for the Blind	585	Jewish Agencies North America	
Canadian Red Cross Society - Ottawa-Carl Branch	295	Bayerest Centre Foundation Campaign for Care	445
Canadian Tribute To Human Rights	105	Beth Tzedek Congregation	100
Cancer Research Society	40	Imre Noam Congregation	900
Carleton University	3,395	Kollel Avreichim of Toronto	125
Children's Hospital Eastern Ontario	2,760	London Hebrew Day School	125
Children's Wish Foundation	270	MIT Boston Hillel on Campus	115
Crohn's and Colitis Foundation of Canada	490	Mount Sinai Hospital	55
Elizabeth Bruyere Health Centre	70	Mount Sinai Hospital Toronto	300
Girls & Boys Club of Ottawa-Carleton	230	National Council of Jewish Women	55
Heart and Stroke Foundation	225	REACH	75
Hillcrest High School	250	Reena Foundation	65
Hip Hop Horray	585	Zareinu	165
Juvenile Diabetes Association	275	Total	2,525
Kempville District Hospital	585	Ottawa Jewish Community Agencies	
Kiwanis Club of Ottawa	185	Agudath Israel Synagogue	1,750
Lisgar Alumni Association	585	Akiva High School	905
Lung Association	15	Camp B'nai Brith	4,560
MIT Boston Alumni	135	Camp Gesher	500
Multiple Sclerosis Society	65	Canadian Friends of Torah Academy	4,720
Nepesh High School	55	Gilbert Greenberg Education Fund	281,300
North York General Hospital - Sheila Cohen Fund		Ganon Preschool	275
for Women's Health	770	Hillel Academy	21,205
Ottawa Deaf Centre	290	Hillel Lodge	55,154
Ottawa Heart Institute	170	Jewish Community Cemetery-Holocaust Memorial	400
Ottawa Hospital - Civic Campus	2,880	Jewish Community Council of Ottawa/Vaad Ha'Ir	2,155
Ottawa Hospital - General Campus	585	Jewish Education Through Torah - JET	645
Ottawa Kidney Foundation	55	Jewish Family Services	15,955
Ottawa Rotary Home Foundation (was Rotary Home		Jewish Students Association	1,560
Rochester Street)	610	Jewish Youth Library	340
Parkway House	505	Kosher Food Bank at Agudath Israel Synagogue	1,365
Queen's University	585	Beth Shalom Congregation	7,190
Queensway - Carleton Hospital	2,575	Beth Shalom Congregation-Sisterhood	145
RP Eye Research Foundation	435	Beth Shalom West Congregation	215
Salvation Army	585	Maachon Sarah High School	105
United Way of Ottawa-Carleton	585	Machzikei Hadas Congregation	2,780
University of Ottawa	585	OJCF	24,190
University of Ottawa Heart Institute	855	Ottawa Chevra Kadisha	725
Water-Can	130	Ottawa Hebrew Free Loan	45
Total	25,305	Ottawa Jewish Archives	320
		Ottawa Jewish Cemeteries	7,480
		Ottawa Jewish Historical Society	6,460
		Ottawa Torah Centre Chabad	450
		Ottawa Torah Institute	2,025
		Ottawa Vaad Hakashrut	445
		Ranibam-Maimonides School	1,535
		Soloway Jewish Community Centre	11,455
		Spanish Portuguese Synagogue	
		Star of David Hebrew School	830
		Talmud Torah Afternoon School	4,075
		Tamir Foundation	10,440
		Temple Israel	3,090
		Temple Israel Religious School	745
		Yitzhak Rabin High School	2,660
		Canada - Israel Cultural Foundation	475
		Canada Israel Foundation for Academic Exchanges	530
		Ottawa Modern Jewish School	1225
		United Jewish Appeal	156,925
		Total	639,369
		Israeli Institutions	
		Canadian Friends of Alyn	95
		Canadian Friends of Amal School	150
		Canadian Friends of Bar Ilan University	1,725
		Canadian Friends of Ben-Gurion University	735
		Canadian Friends of Ghetto Fighters	4,665
		Canadian Friends of Hebrew University	1,780
		Canadian Friends of Jerusalem Blind Institute	350
		Canadian Friends of Laniado Hospital	1,060
		Canadian Friends of Ramat Shapira Israel	450
		Canadian Friends of Shaare Tzedek Hospital Foundation	45
		Canadian Friends of Simon Weisenthal Foundation	305
		Canadian Friends of Technion University	1,470
		Canadian Friends of Weizmann Institute of Science	1,315
		Canadian Magen David Adom	915
		Emunah - (Hamilton) - Irene Hoffman	80
		Emunah of Canada - Rachel Kizell Chapter	355
		Israel Cancer Research	390
		Jewish National Fund	7,356
		Jews for Arab Lands	25
		Mizrachi Organization of Canada for Yeshiva Haye Olam	645
		Na' Amat Ottawa	100
		Oir Haachaim D'Tash Bois Briand	585
		ORT Canada (was Ottawa Women's ORT)	735
		Ottawa Hadassah-Wizo	2,125
		The Steven and Gail Victor Centre for Trial Advocacy	
		at the Canadian Friends of Hebrew University	550
		United Israel Appeal for Elen Youth in Distress in Israel	3,105
		Society Education of Russian Jews (was Cdn Friends of Shvut Ami)	275
		Total	31,386
		Allocated but not distributed	
		Ottawa Post Jewish War Veterans of Canada Fund	13,034
		Pinchas Zuckerman	
		To Jewish Causes	
		2,737,984	
		To Non-Sectarian Organizations	
		25,305	
		Total Grants to Organizations	
		2,763,289	

Websites to help you enjoy the Dead Sea Scrolls exhibit

I often use the web in relation to other activities. So it was natural for me to do some homework on the web before going to see Ancient Treasures and the Dead Sea Scrolls at the Museum of Civilization.

The exhibit which opened early in December and continues through April 12 is truly, as the Museum's website calls it, "a once in a lifetime" event in Ottawa. Besides three scrolls, there is other material from the Israel Museum (including a small ivory pomegranate, the only known relic from the temple built by King David).

The Museum of Civilization provides some basic information on their website. A much fuller website, the best I have seen for general browsing, is the Library of Congress's "Scrolls from the Dead Sea: The Ancient Library at Qumran and Modern Scholarship." You can follow this site sequentially and use it as an introduction to the scrolls, the controversies surrounding them, and their significance for both Jews and Christians.

The exhibits and links at a comprehensive portal, "Dead Sea Scrolls and Qumran" are probably more useful for people with a scholarly interest. But you may want to at least give it a glance. Some of the text provides an introduction to the heated controversies over who the people at Qumran were, and what relationship they may have had to the documents buried in nearby caves.

Jewish Perspectives

The initial excitement, after their discovery between 1947 and the mid-1950s, had to do with some Christian scholars' hopes that the scrolls would provide the key to the origins of Christianity in Judaic sectarianism. Apparently, though much light has been shed on this period, this early hope has not materialized – at least, not yet.



Global Shtetl The Jewish Internet

Saul Silverman

Do the scrolls have any great significance for later Judaism, or was the community at Qumran, if it was closely associated with the scrolls (particularly those that were apocalyptic) a kind of a dead end at the Dead Sea, while rabbinic Judaism developed in other directions?

It would be folly to hazard an opinion when the experts remain so divided. But a few observations may be useful. One relates to the presence in the Ottawa exhibit of an Isaiah scroll that is over 1800 years old. It is one of the earliest manuscripts of a book of the Hebrew Bible and, together with other scrolls and fragments, indicate that while there were variant forms of the text (before standardization in the Masoretic text), the Biblical books are essentially the same going very far back in time.

I found a useful article, "What the Dead Sea Scrolls Do Not Tell," in COMMENTARY, Nov. 1998. This article outlines some of the issues in the scholarly controversy to that date, and can be easily read the lay-person. One of the points that it makes is that some of the material in the Dead Sea collection tells stories, and collects traditions, from early rabbinic times. (Until these were found in the scrolls, these traditions did not appear till the Mishnah, hundreds of years later.) This has altered views about the authenticity of rabbinic stories, which had been

seen, by some, to reflect a very hazy romanticized retrospect that may have developed only during the period that the Talmud was being written.

Judging from these stories, the strong oral memory was accurately preserved in the Talmud. Some of the material in the scrolls affirms, and extends backward in time, the Jewish heritage of accurate retention of traditional lore, which continues to be available to us today.

Websites

Museum of Civilization: <http://www.civilization.ca/cmc/manuscri/manus01e.html>

Library of Congress: <http://lcweb.loc.gov/exhibits/scrolls/>

Dead Sea Scroll portal: <http://www.flash.net/~hoseilton/deadsea/deadsea.htm>

COMMENTARY magazine: This is not directly available on the Web, but the text can be found by going to the Ottawa Public Library electronic documents website (<http://www.library.ottawa.on.ca/electronic/index.htm>) and clicking on the Electric Library link. Insert your OPL card number in the space provided and enter this site. When the search engine opens, select "Magazines" only, and enter in quotes: "What the Dead Sea Scrolls do not tell."

In Appreciation

My sincere thanks to our relatives and friends for their many contributions, beautiful flowers, good wishes and comforting messages during my recent illness. Your kindness is very much appreciated.

Lillian Kimmel

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The family of the late Louis Peters would like to thank everyone for their kindness and expressions of condolence on the loss of our dear father, grandfather and great-grandfather. Our heartfelt appreciation goes out to all those who sent donations, cards, visits and phone calls. They were all very much appreciated and comforting during this difficult time. Please accept this as our personal thank you.

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ONGOING
JAN. 28- MARCH 9



Bagels and Faces, photography by Lois Siegel, Ottawa Bagel and Deli, 1321 Wellington Street, 722-8753.

A Mid-Winter's Day Dream, art exhibition by Sylvia Klein, The Mud Oven, 1065 Bank Street, until February 15. Info: 730-0814

Ancient Treasures and the Dead Sea Scrolls, Canadian Museum of Civilization, 100 Laurier Street, Gatineau, Quebec until April 12, 2004.

Beth Shalom Weekend lecture series on Rabbi Joseph Ber

Soloveitchik with Rabbi Howard Finkelstein, Monday evenings 7:30 pm, January 26 to March 29, 15 Chartwell Ave. Info: 723-1800.

Judaism on Suffering: Job and Beyond, with Rabbi Reuven Bulka, Mondays at 7:30 pm, Ottawa Lay School of Theology, St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church, Kent & Wellington. Info: www.olist.ca

THURSDAY
JANUARY 22

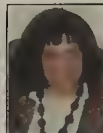
UJA 2004 Mission Information Night, Agudath Israel Congregation, 1400 Coldrey Avenue, 7:00-9:00 pm.

FRIDAY
JANUARY 23

JET Annual Shabbaton, From Tikkun Ha'midot to Tikkun Ha'olam, Perfecting Yourself, Perfecting the World featuring Tziporah Heller

(January 23-25), Albert At Bay Hotel.

Tziporah Heller, featured at JET Shabbaton, Jan. 23-25.



SATURDAY
JANUARY 24

BBYO "Oscar Night", 7:00 pm.

SUNDAY
JANUARY 25

The Ottawa Jewish Film Society, "Gripsholm", 2:00 pm. JET Annual Shabbaton, Sunday Evening Seminar, Lecture 1: Judaism and Feminism - Are They Compatible?, 7:00 pm. JET Annual Shabbaton, Sunday Evening Seminar, Lecture 2: Feminine Spirituality, 8:15 pm.

THURSDAY
JANUARY 29

Yitzhak Rabin High School Open House. RSVP (727-0420)

Soloway JCC Annual Meeting, 7:00 pm.

FRIDAY
JANUARY 30

JETSETTERS Young Adult Friday Night Dinner, Shaps Family, 5:45 pm.

Arianne Matte's Slipping Mind, NAC Fourth Stage, 7:30pm. Tickets \$15, available NAC box office or (567-6673).

SATURDAY
JANUARY 31

Arianne Matte's Slipping Mind, NAC Fourth Stage, 7:30 pm. Tickets \$15, available at the NAC box office or 567-6673.

SUNDAY
FEBRUARY 1

SJCC Tu B'Shevat Family Celebration, 1:00 pm. The Vered Israel Cultural and Educational Program Israeli House, 7:30 pm.

COMING SOON

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 8
JNF Tu'Bi Shevat Telethon
To volunteer or for further info: 798-2411.

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 12
Prime Time at Temple Israel presents Jean Jacques Van Vlasselaer speaking on classical music.
Lunch is at noon (\$8 members, \$10 non-members).
For more information call Anna Bilsky: 728-4202.

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 14
SJCC and Torah Academy of Ottawa, 5th annual Chinese Buffet and Auction, 8:00 pm, Congregation Machzikei Hadas. Ticket Info: 274-0110.

Unless otherwise noted, activities take place at The Joseph and Rose Ages Family Building, 21 Nadolny Sachs Private.

This information is taken from the community calendar maintained by the Jewish Community Campus of Ottawa Inc. Organizations which would like their events to be listed, no matter where they are to be held, should make sure they are recorded by Brenda Schafer, calendar coordinator at 798-9818 ext. 265. We have voice mail. Accurate details must be provided and all events must be open to the Jewish public. You may fax to 798-9839 or email to bschafer@jccottawa.com.

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